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15436.75.1.1

Application Of: Donald A. Ice

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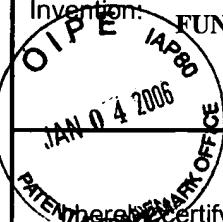
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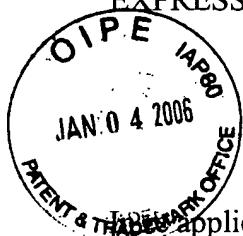
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U.S. Patent Documents

<u>Examiner Initial*</u>	<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Name</u>
____ 1	6,661,673	12/2003	Brooks et al.
____ 2	6,198,633	03/2001	Lehman et al.
____ 3	6,008,995	12/1999	Pusateri et al.
____ 4	5,175,669	12/1992	Navia et al.

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